

Types of Natural Capital

3.2.2 Define the terms renewable, replenishable, and non-renewable

Goods - marketable commodities

process or "skill" an ecosystem has that helps humans.

Natural Capital	Describe It	Example of Goods			Example of Services		Regenerate?	Alive?
Renewable	-can be replaced at the same rate they are used up * Can be used Sustainably	food	timber	wool	Stable climate	pollination	✓	✓
Replenishable	-can be replaced, but it takes a while * can be used Sustainably * often depends on solar energy	Ground water storage	Surface water storage	Soil nitrate (fixed by lightening)	UV protection via stratospheric ozone	Water filtration via groundwater	✓	X
Non-Renewable	-exist in finite amounts -aren't replaced at the same rate they are used up * can't be used Sustainably	tin	uranium	Fossil fuels	Supply of soil nutrients from weathered rock		X	X